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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LEONARDO GUZMAN VASQUEZ,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARK ALBERT MORLOK, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1: 24-cv-01068-KES-SAB

ORDER REQUIRING PLAINTIFF TO FILE NOTICE OF STATUS OF SERVICE

**JANUARY 21, 2025 DEADLINE** 

Plaintiff commenced this action on September 9, 2024. (ECF No. 1.) A scheduling conference is currently set for February 11, 2025. (ECF No. 3.) Plaintiff has not returned service documents, and Defendant has not filed a responsive pleading.

Rule 4(m) provides that "If a defendant is not served within 90 days after the complaint is filed, the court—on motion or on its own after notice to the plaintiff—must dismiss the action without prejudice against that defendant or order that service be made within a specified time." Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m). "But if the plaintiff shows good cause for the failure, the court must extend the time for service for an appropriate period." <u>Id.</u> The order setting the scheduling conference in this matter additionally provides that: "plaintiff shall diligently pursue service of the summons and complaint and dismiss those defendants against whom the plaintiff will not pursue claims . . . [and] plaintiff shall promptly file proofs of service of the summons and complaint so the Court has a record of service." (ECF No. 3, p. 1.)

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Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no later than January 21, 2025, Plaintiff shall file a notice regarding the status of service on Defendants Mark Albert Morlok and Penske Logistics. Plaintiff is advised that failure to comply with this order may result in the issuance of sanctions, up to and including dismissal of this action. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: **January 14, 2025** STANLEY A. BOONE United States Magistrate Judge